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Operational report #00292. Headquarters of the 64th IAK, Antung 18 October 1952. 2400 hrs. Map 1:500,000- 1941.

I.

During 18 October the corps carried out its assigned combat mission.

1. The United Air Corps flew 84 sorties that day for a total flight time of 71 hours, 59 minutes. They intercepted enemy fighters and provided air cover for targets in the region of Antung and GES "Supun". Squadrons engaged enemy fighters twice. According to the pilots and gun camera reconnaissance data, 3 F-86's were shot down. Four pilots fired. 52 N-37's and 238 NS-23's were expended and 168 external fuel tanks were jettisoned. We suffered no losses. One MiG-15 was damaged and one pilot was wounded in battle.

2. Three nighttime combat sorties were flown totaling 2 hours, 2 minutes. Enemy bombers were not engaged.

3. Anti-aircraft artillery was combat ready, but enemy aircraft did not operate in their fire zone.

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II.

1. The 32nd IAD flew 24 daytime sorties totaling 19 hours, 55 minutes. The enemy was not encountered. 48 external fuel tanks were jettisoned.

Two squadron formations were on stand-by in readiness level 3 throughout the night.

2. The 133rd IAD was on stand-by during the day and went from readiness level 3 to level 1.

Three nighttime sorties were flown totaling 2 hours, 02 minutes. The enemy was not encountered.

3. The 216th IAD flew 44 sorties totaling 39 hours, 19 minutes. Enemy fighters were engaged twice in squadron formation. 3 F-86's were shot down. Four pilots fired. 52 N-37's and [238?] NS-23's were expended and 88 external fuel tanks were jettisoned. One MiG-15 was damaged and one pilot was wounded in battle.

4. The 351st IAP was on stand-by at night in readiness level three.

5. The 578th IAP flew 16 daytime sorties totaling 12 hours, 45 minutes. 32 external fuel tanks were jettisoned. There were two encounters with enemy fighters.

6. At 2118 hrs two enemy bombers were spotted near Santo heading in a northerly direction at 7,000 meters. The bombers continued on to Sejsen, Kaechon, Tajsen, Khitkhen, Kangi and further in a southeasterly [Next page of document missing.]

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to participate the road Busehngni-Kangi.

Between 0920 hrs and 0942 hrs 68 MiG-15's were scrambled, all of which were assigned to intercept and destroy enemy F-86's in a "MiG-train" formation. Forming the 68 MiG force were:

Three groups consisting of MiG-15's from the 878th IAP commanded by Captain Zameskin, Lieutenant Colonel Kholodnyj, and Lieutenant Colonel Dronov;

Three groups of eight MiG-15's from the 518th IAP commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Mikheev, Captain Kazakov, and Major Frolov;

Two groups of eight MiG-15's from the 578th IAP commanded by Captain Shvetsov and Captain Cherkov which were assigned to protect battle egress routes and ensure safe landings at the Antung and Myaogou airfields.

Eight MiG-15's from the 535th IAP commanded by Major Danilov.

At 0945 hrs, Lieutenant Colonel Kholodnyj's group (878th IAP) was 15 kilometers northeast of Kidzjo at an altitude of 12,500 meters when they spotted four F-86's, 3-4 kilometers away. They followed the F-86's as far as Kaechon, where the enemy fighters headed off in an easterly direction.

At 0941 hrs, 30 kilometers west of Pukchin Lieutenant Colonel Dronov's group (878th IAD) engaged six F-86's at an altitude of 12,000 meters. Three pilots fired on the enemy. As a result of the battle three F-86's were downed. Those who shot down the enemy aircraft are:

-Senior Lieutenant Skorov who shot down one F-86 head on from a distance of 300 meters;

-Senior Lieutenant Shabalov who shot down one F-86 head on from a distance of 500 meters;

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-Senıor Lıeutenant Nıkul'shın who shot down one F-86 located at one o'clock from a dıstance of 200 meters.
Durıng the battle, Senior Lıeutenant Nıkul'shın was attacked by two F-86's. As a result, Nikul'shin was wounded and hıs plane damaged, but he managed to land at Antung.

At 0955 hrs, 20 kilometers west of Taegwon, Lıeutenant Colonel Mıkheev's group (518th IAD) engaged sıx F-86's at an altıtude of 12,000 meters. Both pılots fired on the enemy, but the results are unknown.

At 0945 hrs Captaın Kazakov's group (518th IAD) was ın the Kıdzjo regıon at an altitude of 11,500 meters when they spotted four F-86's and followed them to the coastline of the bay.

At 0947 hrs Major Frolov's group (518th IAD) spotted eıght F-86's ın the Khakusen regıon at an altıtude of 9,000 meters. The enemy aırcraft fled to the coastline after notıcıng our fıghters.

Flyıng at an altitude of 11,000 meters were both Captaın Shvetsov's group (578th IAD) at 0938 hrs ın the Siodzjo regıon and Captaın Cherkov's group (578th IAD) ın the Taegwon regıon at 0940 hrs. Both these groups spotted 4-6 F-86's, but they dıd not engage them. The enemy fighters fled to the southwest.

The rest of our fighter groups dıd not encounter the enemy whıle flyıng theır combat mıssıons.

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A description of the 2nd and 3rd attacks is located in Part II, numbers 8 and 9.

During the first attack from 0627-0712 hrs, eight groups of 4-8 aircraft each, totaling 48 F-86's, patrolled the regions of Pukchin, Tajsen, Syukusen, and Kaechon at an altitude of 7,000-11,000 meters for 16-40 minutes. Operating in the region of Jotoku and Kakuzan was one group of eight ground attack aircraft and in the region of Chinnampo were two groups of ground attack aircraft totaling ten.

During the fourth attack from 1526-1600 hrs, five groups of 4,8, and 12 aircraft, totaling 44 F-86's, patrolled the region of [?Sakusyu, Ryugaino?], and Kidzjo for 30 minutes at an altitude of 9,000-12,000 meters. Also, three groups, totaling 12 ground-attack aircraft, were operating in the Sinkej, Kakuzan, and Chinnampo regions.

The enemy's air force spent the rest of the day in groups of 4-8 aircraft operating along the border of P'yongyang and Genzan. One group of eight F-86's entered into the [?Ryugaino?] and Tepuzan regions. Seven groups, totaling 36 F-86's entered the regions of Tehjsyu, Syukusen, and Kaechon. One group of four F-86's entered the Sejsen and Jotoku regions. Another group of four F-86's entered the region of Ehjdzyu. Of the three F-86's shot down the leader of the 1st flight, 16th squadron, 51st group was taken prisoner. His rank and name is not yet known. For the entire day the corps' RMS [probably RTS - radio techincal station, radar] spotted 410 fighter flights and of those 312 were north of the P'yongyang, Genzan border.

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